

ALL SORTS BY NEWTON NEWKIRK

A MAID OR A MILLION? The Great Porkeiland Mystery STEALTHY STEVE SOME NEW STUNTS

In previous chapters, Stealthy Steve, the Six-Eyed Sleuth, burlesque detective and creation of Newton Newkirk, the Boston Post columnist for 30 years, undertook to locate the missing daughter of August Porkeiland, the meat packing agent.

Today he starts for the New York home of the tycoon to get the facts in the case that is ultimately to lead him to Constantinople.

CHAPTER 3

Scarce had Stealthy Steve left his own door to catch the early morning express to New York than he heard the shrill blast of the locomotive. The station was half a mile distant.

He knew that he would have to do the half mile in a little better than a 2:00 clip. Steve settled down to an amazing speed. But his movements were greatly hampered by the suitcase he carried. Slowly the train began to move away from the station with



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Stealthy Steve still a quarter of a mile distant. Lightly jumping a six-foot fence, the great detective sped across lots. His idea was to head the train off. After running swiftly for some few seconds, the sleuth came out upon the right of way and looked up and down the track. The express was not in sight.

He sat down beside the track and lighted a cigarette. He smoked leisurely for perhaps two minutes when there was a rumble down the track. The next instant the train burst into sight and came booming along at 60 miles an hour.

Holding his dress suitcase firmly in one hand the great detective braced himself. When the train was about 2000 yards away, Steve sprang into the air. He calculated with such nicety that

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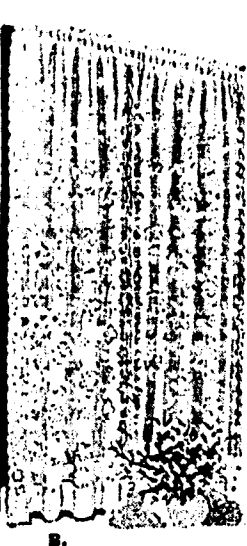


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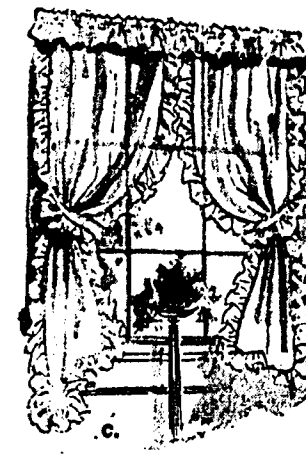
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he alighted on the platform of the last coach as it shot past, and opening the door walked inside. He was perspiring freely but was uninjured.

As the train dashed on, Steve thought he would stick his head out the window to see if the train was on the tracks straight. Just as he did so, the train shot into a tunnel. The side entrance caught him across the left ear. As the great detective's head struck the stone work of the tunnel, the impact jarred the coach sufficiently to throw several passengers to the floor. Women fainted and strong men turned pale.

One man, with rare presence of mind, arose and asked in a loud voice if there was an undertaker on the train.

The great detective, who, up to this time had remained with his head and shoulders out the window, now pulled himself inside. He readjusted his necktie and asked for a glass of water. Beyond a slight headache the invincible sleuth was feeling as well as ever. When the train reached New York, a corps of men were despatched by the roadmaster to repair the tunnel.

Arriving in New York, Stealthy Steve jumped from the train into a hansom, and ordered the Jehu to drive with the utmost speed to the residence of August Porkeiland. When he gave the cabman the address Steve noted that the man was addicted to stammering. Steve was consumed with impatience lest he would arrive a couple of minutes late.

Presently his eye caught the number of Mr. Porkeiland's residence, which was 6237 Fifth av. To the detective's amazement, the hansom did not pause. After traveling two blocks, Steve lost his temper and reaching out with his strong right, he seized the reins and with one yank brought the horse back on its haunches. He turned angrily on the cabbie.

"Why did you not stop at 6237?" "I cuh-cuh-cuh—I cuh-cuh-cuh—I cuh-cuh-cuh—say wuh-wuh-wuh-wuh-wuh WHOA!" explained the cabbie.

Steve felt ashamed for upbraiding him and gave him a \$5 bill. "Thuh-thuh-thuh..."

"Thanks? Oh, you're welcome," said Steve, and picking up his dress suitcase he dashed to the Porkeiland mansion.

Conducting Stealthy Steve to the library, August Porkeiland placed before him all the cablegrams he had received from his daughter, Agatha following her departure from Europe. The clever sleuth sat down and studied each cable with a 14-horsepower magnifying glass. The last one received from Agatha interested him. It read as follows: Constantinople, Turkey, Mar. 11, 19—

To August Porkeiland, New York Esteemed Father—Aunt Clarissa and I are leaving here today for a short trip inland. We hope to be back soon. Kindest regards to mother. Very respectfully, your daughter, AGATHA.

Steve could find nothing in the cablegrams that threw any light on Agatha's disappearance and he was almost at his wit's end. "I ought to have a stock of canned clues for an emergency like this," he muttered to himself.

At that instant the doorbell rang and the butler announced: "Prince Itchi-Scratchi."

Mr. Porkeiland sprang forward and grasped the prince's hand heartily. "My dear Prince," he said, "Agatha is missing."

"Missing," shrieked the prince in faultless English, "You do not mean that she is a dead one?" "Alas, we do not know—we last heard from her at Constantinople and since then no word has come, I mean, has come."

The prince was visibly pained at this sad intelligence and it did not require much astuteness to see that there existed on his part at least a feeling for Agatha which was a few degrees warmer than friendship. Mr. Porkeiland was reminded of the presence of Stealthy Steve, who coughed audibly, and he introduced the two men.

At this moment the butler entered the room bearing on a silver salver a telegraph message.

The whereabouts of Agatha was no longer a mystery. She was not dead but perhaps it might have been better had she been.

Don't miss tomorrow's exciting chapter in which Stealthy Steve teaches Jiu-Jitsu to President Theodore Roosevelt, as he appeals for the United States government to save Agatha.

Lexington Men Get \$37,281 in Land Taking Suit

Two Lexington men were awarded \$37,281 in a Federal Court jury yesterday on claim against the government for land seizure under eminent domain. Charles McLaughlin and August Schumacher have been contesting the case since the government seized their land Aug. 28, 1952, to build the Lincoln Research Project laboratory.

As a result of the jury's decision, Schumacher was awarded \$26,656 in damages and McLaughlin \$10,625. The land in question, containing 61.27 acres, is on an airport access road between Massachusetts av. and Hanscom Air Field in Bedford. When the government took possession, appraisers valued the property at \$18,050. But McLaughlin and Schumacher claimed it was to be used for a housing development for Hanscom Field pilots, and therefore had a total worth of \$254,000.

They contested the land seizure in two cases which were tried together. McLaughlin charged that his 20.26 acres were worth \$125,000, as opposed to the government claim of \$12,000. Schumacher claimed his 41.01 acres were worth \$129,000, as contrasted to government appraisal of \$10,300.

The case, which had been heard for the past week, was sent to the jury late yesterday afternoon by Judge William T. McCarthy. McLaughlin and Schumacher were represented by attorneys Daniel A. Lynch and Henry M. Leen. The government's case was under Asst. U.S. Atty. Arthur H. Bloomberg.

Somerville Tunnel Open To Traffic

The first portion of the \$2.5 million Paul A. McCarthy overpass along the McGrath Highway in Somerville will be opened to traffic today, the M.D.C. announced yesterday.

Among the facilities ready for traffic is the tunnel between Somerville av. and Washington st., which will "assist materially in alleviating traffic congestion," M.D.C. Commissioner Charles W. Greenough said.

The entire 2000-foot overhead viaduct is scheduled for completion in about a month, Greenough said. The McCarthy overpass is the major project in the M.D.C. program for improving the Northern Artery between the Charles River Dam in Boston and North Border rd. in Stoneham.

Other projects on this artery now under construction include the new \$2.6 million Squires Bridge and the reconstruction of the Middlesex Falls Parkway for 2 1/2 miles between the Wellington Bridge in Somerville and Roosevelt Circle in Medford. The greater part of this project is scheduled for completion within two months, Greenough said.

STAR GAZER By CLAY R. POLLAN Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars. To develop message for Tuesday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

Looks Like Tax Rate of \$86.40 Council Spending Soars To \$177 Million for Hub

The city council approved a total of \$16,952,503 in proposed additional expenditures yesterday. They include \$9,002,503 in appropriations and \$7,950,000 in long term loans. Total now appropriated for city, schools and Suffolk County needs amounts to more than \$177 million, nearly \$8 million above last year's figure.

Boston's 1957 tax rate is expected to be announced during the middle of the month. Unofficial estimates have set the figure at \$86.40, which would be an increase of \$7.70 over last year's levy.

Appropriations approved yesterday: \$6,120,903, representing the sum above the school committee statutory limit. \$100,000 for pay raises for non-academic school personnel and temporary teachers.

\$2,083,500 for the city and county supplementary budget. \$354,000 for the demolition program. \$304,000 for down-payments on loans.

\$4,950,000 For Buildings The loan orders were \$4,950,000 for construction of public buildings and \$3 million for construction and repair of streets.

Higher M.T.A. and M.D.C. assessments and climbing interest rates on municipal loans will be reflected in the new tax rate, Mayor Hynes said.

Total city and county maintenance costs have risen to \$115,337,058, or \$2,897,194 higher than order for \$8,750,000 for the construction of a nurses' home and a chronic diseases hospital.

Questioning the immediate need for two proposed "fantastic" land-takings as sites for the buildings, McLaughlin said the City Hospital rebuilding program is "in a nebulous state" as the board of trustees and Mayor Hynes have not yet agreed as to how far they burgers.

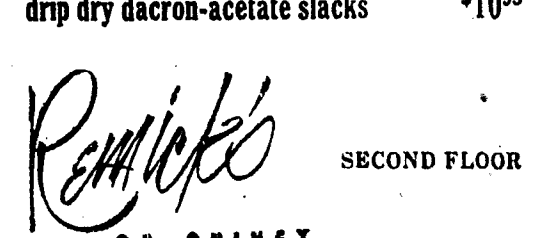
More Clerks, Inspectors The health department received an additional \$65,000 for the hire of 36 "housing code reporters" to inspect some 200,000 dwelling units in the city. The hire of four clerks for \$10,000 and a tax title examiner for \$3000 also was authorized.

The building department was given \$16,000 for five new building and two elevator inspectors and three clerical workers.

The United States hot dog was first named by citizens of Frankfurt, Germany, as the frankfurter. Later they were named in Vienna as weiners (or Viennese). And in Hamburg they were called ham-

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Pearl Harbor Command Post All U.S. Pacific Forces United Under Admiral

PEARL HARBOR, July 1 (AP)—The heart and brains of United States military activity over half the earth's surface were formally centered today at this historic Pacific Naval Base.

Far Eastern and Pacific Commands were combined under a Navy man. Pearl Harbor, scene of the Japanese attack, that touched off the Pacific phase of World War II Dec. 7, 1941, became the command post nearly a half million United States servicemen and more than 7000 planes and 400 ships on guard between American and Communist coasts.

But it is more than that. In the words of a high officer: "For the first time in our Pacific military history, there is just one guy to say 'do it'—one military boss with his subordinate commanders on the same island."

The boss is Adm. Felix B. Stump, 62, a lanky, plain spoken, sailor-diplomat who looks something like President Eisenhower. The change found him in Tokyo, where the flag of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's old Far East Command was hauled down for the last time.

"We have the forces now to contain an attack that occurs anywhere in the world," the admiral declared. The bulk of United States combat forces remain ringed along the Pacific defense perimeter from Japan to the Philippines.

Gen. Laurence Kuter, the Air Force Pacific commander, said: "None of our combat forces is moving from the Far East. It's a case of the quarterback moving into the backfield."

There is still a four-star quarterback for each service. But Stump will call the signals as top man. His command covers 75 million square miles. This is bordered by 8000 miles of Communist coastline—about four times the length of the Iron Curtain in Europe. It includes several of the world's most potentially explosive areas, Red China, Korea and Vietnam, plus such touchy friendly areas as Japan, Formosa and the Philippines.

Resides United States forces, Stump directs the American military advisory groups which handle training for some 1.7 million troops of friendly Pacific nations. He is also top United States military adviser in the seven-nation Southeast Asia Treaty Organization (SEATO).

With a staff of seven men, Stump, with Pentagon approval, will lay down broad United States defense moves in the Pacific. Two Navy admirals, two Army generals, two Air Force generals and a Marine general make up the staff.

Teacher Shortage Next Fall Estimated at 150,000

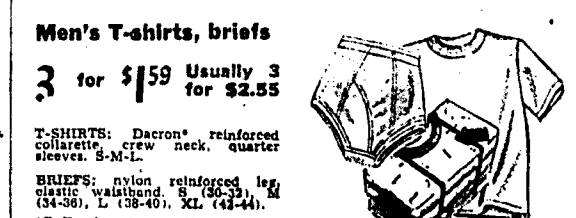
PHILADELPHIA, July 1 (AP)—The president of the National Education Assn. estimated today the nation will be short at least 150,000 teachers when school opens next fall.

Martha Shull, Portland, Ore., cited an N.E.A. report showing the schools lacked 120,000 teachers last fall according to N.E.A. standards of 25 pupils per high school teacher and 30 per elementary teacher.

"This will be far worse next fall," she told a news conference. "I'm just guessing how much worse, but I'd say at least 150,000."

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